

ST. BERNARD'S NEWS LETTER

Principal's News

Term 4 - Week 2 - Friday 23rd October

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a whirlwind start it has been to Term Four! There has been so much to celebrate already in just two short weeks which is testament, yet again, to the spirit, resilience and joy of our students, parents and wider school community.

Dancesport

Dancesport was an incredible week of fun and learning with Debbie-Anne. We love having Debbie-Anne with us, hearing the music playing every day and watching the students learn their new dance steps. It is amazing to see the progress made in just five short days and our concert on Friday was a wonderful celebration of this learning.

On behalf of St Bernard's school, a huge thank you to our wonderful P&F Association for making Dancesport week possible each year. Their financial commitment is what brings Dancesport to our school and I thank them sincerely for all their hard work on behalf of all our students.

A reminder to put the date of the next P&F Goods and Services Auction in your calendars for Friday 26th March 2021. This is a major fundraising event for the P&F, allowing them to continue their good work at our school – please look out for updates and support it if you can.

Interschool Athletics Carnival

The Interschool Athletics Carnival was a great event hosted by Frankland Primary School on Tuesday. St Bernard's came second in the overall competition and third in the handicap count, with all students conducting themselves beautifully and competing with true St Bernard's spirit.

Congratulations to all our individual champions and runner up champions and I would like to acknowledge and thank all our competitors – especially those who go along to participate in just a couple of events or our team games: without all of you our participation would not be possible and I thank you all.

A huge thanks, also, to Mrs Marinoni and to our Sports Captains, Oscar and Ruben. It seems a long time ago since our own Faction Athletics Carnival, but Mrs Marinoni and the captains have kept the momentum and enthusiasm going, including regular practice sessions at lunchtime and after school. Well done!

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Congratulations to Adrianna Kahn and David De Guzman who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Thursday. This sacrament reminds us of the importance of recognising when we have done something wrong and seeking forgiveness from God. We remember that God will always forgive us and grant us his peace when we seek his help. Our whole school community sends their congratulations and blessings to Adrianna, David and their families on this special occasion.

Take care and God Bless,

Mrs Marino



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DANCE SPORT

We loved having Debbie-Anne at our school for Dancesport last week and the final concert on Friday afternoon gave all our students (and teachers) a chance to show off their new moves! Check out these photos and don't forget to go onto our website for more.



BOOK WEEK

Everyone looked amazing in their Book Week costumes on Monday morning. We have enjoyed listening to stories in the undercover every day after lunch this week to help celebrate Book Week. Congratulations to our winners who won a voucher to the Book Fair in Week 5.

K/PP - Gus Thorn, Jack DeGuzman & Mitchell Treeby

1/2 - Kaylee Goodall & Elsie Eyres

3/4 - David DeGuzman, Lexi Greenup & Poppy Atkinson

5/6 - Tom Clayton & Chaaya Jury



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INTERSCHOOL SPORT CARNIVAL

We had a great day at Interschool Athletics Carnival in Frankland on Tuesday and we were so impressed by our students' behaviour and efforts on the day.

St Bernard's came second overall and third in the handicap competition. This was a great effort with all students working hard for the St Bernard's team.

Our teamwork really was on display through the team games, which we mostly won or came runner up, but most importantly everyone had lots of fun!

Well done to all the students who attended the day and a big thank you to the parents and staff who helped on the day. Thank you to Frankland River Primary School for organising the day.

Congratulations to our individual champions on the day:

Elsie Eyres – Champion 6 yr old girl

Chevin Noonan- Champion 6 yr old boy

Hudson Bellotti- Champion 7 yr old boy

Logan Miotti- Champion 8 yr old boy

Special mention to Hudson Bellotti who broke the record for the 7 year old boys flag race (30.59 sec) previously held by Will Sibley(30.85sec) and Ollie Hornby also matched a 20 year old record in 6 year old boys long jump of 2.72m. Well done everyone and I look forward to next year's carnival!

Mrs Marinoni



SCHOOL NEWS

KINDY ORIENTATION

This week we welcomed our 2021 Kindy and Pre-Primary students for their first orientation session. Mums may have been a little sad to farewell their little ones, but hopefully our 'Orientation Survival Packs' helped lessen the pain!

Kindy enrolments remain open and we are also taking expressions of interest for our new 3 year old Kindy program starting next year on Tuesdays. Please spread the word if you know of anyone who may be interested.

James Matthews was ready to go at 8.30am with his Kindy shirt under his jumper!



PARISH HISTORY BOOK

After a lot of hard work and effort the St Bernard's Parish History is now completed. Copies can be purchased for \$20 from the parish - please contact the school to place your order.

Mrs Agnes Paini has been tireless in tracking down snippets of interesting parish history to include in the book and was thrilled to finally collect the book from Warwick Meyer of Albany Advertiser Printers, along with parishioner Mrs Brenda Taylor.



BOARD MEMBERS

Looking for a way to give back to our school community?

Have you considered joining the School Board?

Meetings are twice a term and you will be helping to ensure the smooth running of our school.

Expressions of interest are now open for new Board members from 2021 – please contact Board Chairperson James Eyres or Mrs Marino for further information

NEW GARDENER

Welcome to our new gardener, Fauna Cavanagh! We are excited to have Fauna on board, as we farewell Brownie who has done an amazing job for us this year. Thanks, Brownie, and welcome, Fauna!

Fauna is on the lookout for anyone with an old trailer they may be able to donate or sell to St Bernard's to help her transport garden waste to the tip.

Also, if anyone is keen to donate a load of sheep manure or pea hay for our garden beds, she would love to hear from you!

Please contact the school office if you can help.



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SOCKTOBER



There were socks of all shapes and sizes on display today for our Crazy Sock Day and Socktober Challenge soccer goal kicking competition. Mercy Faction were the winners on the day with six goals - well done, Mercy! All funds raised from the gold coin donations and the special hot dog lunch orders will go to the Catholic Missions.

Term Planner - (Week 3 & 4)

October 26	October 27	October 28	October 29	October 30
Gathering and Little Stars - 9-11am				Merit Assembly
		Kindy Orientation (2)		
November 2	November 3	November 4	November 5	November 6
Little Stars - 9-11am			Year 3/4 excursion to Albany Outdoor Classroom Day Kindy Orientation (3)	Year 3/4 excursion to Albany Newsletter